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STREPTOCOCCUS PNEUMONIAE PBP2X MINI-PROTEIN AND USES THEREOF

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement of September 28, 2006, Applicants elect, albeit with traverse, Group I, Claims 23-33 and 48, in part, drawn to a recombinant protein which comprises concatenated fragments of the Streptococcus pneumoniae PBP2x protein, for further prosecution on the merits.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks and Request for Reconsideration begins on page 7 of this paper.